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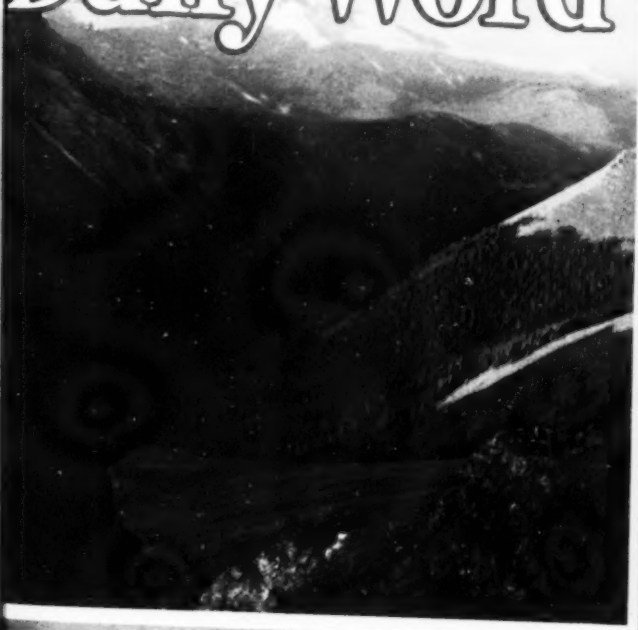

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Class Thoughts

PEACE . . . **In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray for and decree a permanent peace, uniting all the nations of the earth in a league of justice and righteousness, in which the life, liberty, and love of God shall be paramount.**

PRAYER FOR WORLD LEADERS: **Through the Christ Mind you are unified in thought, purpose, and understanding, and inspired to right action for the good of all mankind.**

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ILLUMINATION (11 a.m.): **I will sing a new song of wisdom unto the Lord, and I rejoice in the light of divine understanding.**

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PROSPERITY (12 noon): **I will sing a new song of unfailing success and prosperity unto the Lord.**

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HEALING (9 p.m.): **I will sing a new song of harmony and health unto the Lord.**

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The Strength of Joy

The joy of the Lord is your strength.

PAUL and Silas lay bound in the darkness of an inner cell in a Macedonian dungeon; their feet were made painfully fast in the stocks; their backs were lacerated and smarting from the many stripes received at the hands of their enemies.

Can you see in such conditions anything to cause them to sing or to praise God? Hardly. Singing and praising do not correspond to the condition in which they were. The human is inclined to sing and to praise God only when the condition or environment is so pleasant as to *induce* songs of praise; the human wants the pleasant conditions to come *first;* he will sing and praise God afterward—perhaps.

They sadly err who thus ignore the law of love and faith: to refrain from song or praise, while waiting for the good that we desire, delays its coming.

But Paul and Silas reversed the human plan: they found some things invisible to sing about and praise God for, and the swift result was marvelous. Their feet were bound in the stocks; they sang, and the bonds were loosed. They were shut

in the inner prison; they prayed and sang till every door was opened wide. Their backs were bleeding and smarting; they prayed, and sang their praise of God, though night was then at its darkest, and lo! their jailer washed their stripes and gave them food and drink and lodging. Spite had locked them in a dungeon; prayer and praise unlocked the doors, and when the morning light had come, the magistrates, shorn of their pride and dignity, besought these prisoners freely to use their full liberty.

Paul and Silas sang in praise of love divine, and prayed in faith supreme. Their joy and love and faith originated within that unseen realm —the kingdom of heaven within them, where peace reigns undisturbed though storms of strife and clouds of gloom obscure the outer realm. The prayer of faith, the song of praise, the word of power—these three—when spoken from the inner realm, will calm or quell all storms that threaten us in the outer realm. "Peace, be still," the Master says; "Why are ye fearful?"—and wind and wave (troubled mind) grow calm again.

Why grieve over ills that error brings, or faint when evil wrongs us? Why mourn our losses, or shun our crosses, or fear the "fiery trial"? For these we reap a hundredfold of good: we lose the hold of self to grasp all things through Christ;

some dross of self is thus removed while love and faith grow pure and strong and full and free.

Seek not then the joy and the peace that wait on outward things, but seek the inner peace that calms all outward storms; seek the inner joy that sings in triumph while the scenes of earth are tempestuously changed; seek the inner liberty that breaks all outer bonds and opens wide the doors of opportunity; seek the prayer of faith that views the unseen things and moves with speed the things of earth till fact and vision coincide.

When Paul had found the inner realm, the heavenly place, he stood serenely in its calm and said, though evil men assailed him and left him once for dead: "None of these things move me." You and I may stand serene upon this solid rock, our God invisible, and we may say in faith:

"God is my refuge and my strength, my present help in trouble; and though the earth should be removed I never more shall fear. Beneath me are the everlasting arms, and love divine is over all —no evil shall I fear. Though transient things of earth may come or go, they move me not—I hold to none in self; there is no loss, there is no gain, for in God all things are mine. He knows my every need, and adds the good, prepared by love divine for all who walk in wisdom's way; He gives me richly all good to enjoy. I do all things, not of

myself, but through the Christ whose Spirit dwells within. I look to Him in faith and love—He does all things well; all things together work for good, moved by Spirit's power. I ask of Him the good I need—He quells my storms, calms my fears, and lends His easy yoke. He gives me light and strength, and prospers what I do. In quietness of self and confidence in Christ I find Spirit's strength. I still the outer self and know that Christ within me is God. The Lord my God heals me, makes me whole. He is my wisdom and my life; in Him I am complete. He ever lives (abides) in me, and I in Him; in His presence is fullness of joy! He has put a new song into my heart."

The joy of the Lord is spiritual feeling. It is the redemption of the emotional feelings. They have been hurt with fear and anxiety and despondency, but in the conscious presence of the Father they are soothed and harmonized and healed. They know the peace and rest of Spirit, and instead of crying out in pain they speak gladness and praise and thanksgiving.

The joy of the Lord springs from within man. It is not dependent in any way upon outward conditions, but is often most in evidence when they seem contrary. Joy is a fruit of Spirit. It comes from a consciousness of the indwelling presence of God, so the joy of the Lord is really the joy of His

presence. "In thy presence is fulness of joy." The way to find real joy, then, is to seek a consciousness of the Father within us. Nothing else will give it.

When real joy gets into our hearts, it will spread through all life's activities. The voice will be cheery, the step light and springy, and all the functions of the body will be performed perfectly. We shall then learn to have the joy of living as little children have it. When we really become as little children, we shall have all their joyousness, and just to live will be such happiness that the Spirit of praise and thanksgiving will be continually in our hearts. The purity and simplicity of life will come to us, and we shall be strengthened and harmonized within and without. "The joy of the Lord is your strength."

Begin right now to affirm your freedom from all the turmoils of inherited error thought and to put yourself into the one Mind of peace and harmony. Do not in any way connect yourself with the past. Remember that Lot's wife, looking back upon Sodom and Gomorrah, was preserved, or established, in her old environment. Rejoice in the freedom that you now have, and thank God that all burdens, trials, and tribulations are removed.

A story is told of a Hindu mystic who complained because he had no shoes. As he walked

along he met a man who had no feet. The man without feet seemed contented and thankful, which caused the shoeless man so to realize his own unthankful state of mind that a great wave of gladness and thanksgiving rushed over him, and he danced with joy for the blessing of feet.

We can all take the lesson home and consider the value of our many overlooked blessings. If, having lost our sight, we had it suddenly returned to us, our joy would be so great that there could be no petty annoyances. All would be praise and joy and gladness. Why should we not appreciate the many gifts of God's love and wisdom, and rejoice in them instead of longing for something that we do not have?

Go right on giving thanks for your blessings, praising and magnifying the good in your mind, body, and affairs. As you persist in sowing the seed of Truth, you shall reap a rich reward in health, peace, prosperity, and all good. Do not spare your words of praise and thanksgiving, but keep right on even when appearances indicate an opposite result, and your word shall not return to you void, but be filled with the truth of Spirit. You shall see it established. Carlyle voiced a great spiritual Truth when he said: "If there is a harvest ahead, it is poor thrift to be stingy with your seed corn."
—*J. L. Chesnutt.*

The following are excerpts from letters written to DAILY WORD. *We wish to thank all of you* DAILY WORD *readers for the letters you write us, for your words of blessing and appreciation. We wish to thank you too for the way in which you live with and use your* DAILY WORD *and for the ways in which you pass* DAILY WORD *along to others. We feel a sense of oneness with you, and we rejoice that the circle of* DAILY WORD *friends is growing larger day by day.*

From Maryland:

Just received your invitation to write about my use of DAILY WORD. I sleep with my magazine under my pillow. I like to read it in the morning before I get up.

Some mornings it seems as though it is a letter direct to me; it just seems to fit my problem for that day. More than five years ago I wrote to Unity for prayers in securing a home, and the results

were so speedy that it was almost unbelievable. Thank God for such friends as Unity!

From Colorado:

Here is a nice way to use DAILY WORD: I belong to several clubs and always carry DAILY WORD in my purse. We always have roll call. I find it helpful to announce that I shall read the thought for the day for my roll call, or perhaps a poem.

Sometimes when riding in a car we have to stop for a train to go by or for some other thing, and it is nice to read the thought for the day at that time.

From Illinois.

I read DAILY WORD while sitting alone at breakfast in my small apartment, and that sets me right for the day.

I would like to send an orchid to James Dillet Freeman for his beautiful poems. He is my favorite poet, and I wish you would find it possible to publish an entire book of his poems sometime. He belongs with the immortals.

From Arkansas:

DAILY WORD, I received your note that my subscription had expired, and I am gladly sending you a dollar to continue it for another year,

for I could not part from this cheerful little magazine. If I didn't have but one dollar and no bread, I would spend it for this magazine and trust Jesus Christ our Lord for money or bread.

From Illinois:

I frequently use quotes from your DAILY WORD in our weekly church bulletin. Many members have mentioned how much the quotations have meant to them.

AN INVITATION
FROM SILENT UNITY

Have you ever needed help greatly but did not know where to turn? We extend to you a most loving invitation to call on Silent Unity.

For the past sixty years Silent Unity has been praying and working with people from every walk of life.

We do not believe that anything is impossible or incurable. We keep faith with all who call upon us, for we believe in the power of God and in the power of prayer, and we know that God never fails.

If you need us, feel free to call upon us at any time. We may be reached day or night by telegraph, WUX, Kansas City, Missouri, or telephone at BAltimore 4720, Kansas City, Missouri, or by letter at Silent Unity, Lee's Summit, Missouri.

Tuesday

"BE STILL, AND KNOW THAT I AM GOD."

"BE STILL, and know that I am God." I quiet my mind and body and rest in the stillness of prayer. The troubled thoughts, the grieving thoughts are quieted. Peace descends upon my mind. I feel the peace of God infolding me, and in my heart I know that all is well.

"Be still, and know that I am God." There is only life, endless, eternal life. This is what I realize when I turn to the heart of silence and pray with all my being. There is only life. I think about the life of God, which is without beginning or end; I think of myself as a spiritual being, growing and unfolding unto the Christ perfection. I bless my dear ones in this thought of life—life without beginning or end. I know that even when to human sense it seems that life ceases God's life cannot ever cease; we cannot ever be separated from infinite life, from infinite love.

"Be still, and know that I am God." Be still, my mind and heart. In the stillness I find peace; in the stillness I find renewal; in the stillness I find joy.

♠ *Be still, and know that I am God.*—PSALMS 46:10.

Wednesday

IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST I AM MADE WHOLE.

EVERY DAY in Silent Unity we pray for healing. At any time that you have a healing need, you have only to turn in thought to Silent Unity, and you will be joined in prayer with us. "Where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them." You need never feel that you are alone in your need, that you are alone in your prayers. Silent Unity is praying, hour by hour, day and night. The light of prayer shines constantly in Silent Unity; it shines for you; we are here when you need us.

As you read this lesson today, as you join us in prayer, affirm for yourself or for anyone else who needs healing, "In the name of Jesus Christ I am made whole." Think about the healing power of God. With God there is nothing impossible.

Silent Unity stands with you in faith; we are with you in spirit; we are with you in prayer. And because we are gathered together in the name of Jesus Christ, He is in our midst, pouring forth His healing life and love.

♠ *There am I in the midst of them.*—MATT. 18:20.

Thursday

I JOYOUSLY ACCEPT EVERY SITUATION IN MY LIFE AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO GROW STRONGER IN THE LORD.

I DO not seek to run away from any situation in my life. I stand joyously right where I am and ask the Father to reveal to me the lessons He wants me to learn from the persons and experiences that confront me.

Instead of resisting a person who tries my patience, I thank God for this opportunity to develop divine patience in myself. Instead of seeking an escape from the environment that seems at times to imprison me, I thank God for this opportunity to prove that my happiness is not determined by circumstances but by my realization of His all-adjusting presence. No matter what the situations in which I find myself, I thank God for every opportunity to grow stronger in Him.

As I ask that the hidden lessons in all experiences be revealed to me—never resisting, never complaining—I will find that though I "go through the fire" I will not be burned, for when the lesson is learned the experience is no longer necessary.

♠ *All things work together for good.*—ROM. 8:28.

Friday

I OPEN MY MIND AND HEART TO GOD'S LOVE, AND HARMONY, PEACE, AND ORDER ARE ESTABLISHED IN MY LIFE.

THE DESIRE to have more love in my life and to express more love toward those around me is God given. Love is a mighty, powerful, life-giving force that blesses and transforms my life.

The more of God's love I use, the more love I have to use, for divine love grows and expands with use. When I express more love toward those around me, when I keep love active and alive in my life, harmony, peace, and order are established in me and my affairs.

I develop a greater capacity for God's love when I begin to establish a thought habit of love. Regardless of the negative thoughts I have harbored in the past, I can change my thought pattern by effort and practice, because God's Spirit is in me, ready and waiting to help me make the changes in my thoughts that are needed. I become a channel for the inflow and outflow of God's love when I use His love daily in my life.

♣ *The love of God hath been shed abroad in our hearts.* —ROM. 5:5.

Saturday

GOD IS TAKING CARE OF ME AND MY DEAR ONES.

"BE NOT dismayed, whate'er betide,
God will take care of you;
Beneath His wings of love abide;
God will take care of you."

I will take this wonderful promise for myself today and know that whatever my need God will take care of me. God loves me, and His love infolds me. I am His beloved child. God is always with me wherever I am, and I trust Him to answer my prayers, to be with me, to help me.

Trusting God, I relax and feel strengthened; I feel at peace in mind and body. No matter what my need today, God is the answer. He fills my mind with His wisdom and my heart with His love. I radiate this love to others today; I dwell in the safety and harmony of God's love today.

God will take care of my dear ones and my friends; for wherever they are, God is. God loves them, and I place them trustingly in His loving, protecting, providing care.

I will say of Jehovah, He is my refuge and my fortress; My God, in whom I trust.

—PSALMS 91:2.

Sunday

MARCH 6

MAY THE PEACE AND GOOD WILL OF JESUS CHRIST BLESS EVERY CORNER OF THIS EARTH.

THE RADIANT Spirit of Jesus Christ rules and reigns supreme on this earth. His all-protecting love eternally infolds every nation, every individual, every creature, and His harmonizing Spirit is mightily at work in all circumstances and persons.

His hands are eternally raised in blessing above the world, and He is momently breathing forth on each of us His Spirit of infinite peace and infinite calm.

The compassion of Jesus Christ is guiding the leaders of all nations to deal unselfishly one with another and is inspiring in all humanity the desire for peace and righteousness upon the earth.

O heavenly Father, may the glorious good will of Jesus Christ shine through every human heart, and above all may it shine through me. May the peace and good will of Jesus Christ bless every corner of this earth.

Glory to God in the highest,
And on earth peace among men in whom he is well pleased.

—LUKE 2:14.

Tuesday

MARCH 8

Monday

"I CAN DO ALL THINGS IN HIM THAT STRENGTHENETH ME."

DO YOU have a problem about which you feel you can do nothing? Do you feel perhaps that someone else will have to take action before your need can be met? Today you can do something toward the solving of your problem, toward the accomplishment of the good you seek.

Begin by thinking, "I can do something about my problem." Then let go of every thought of frustration or discouragement and think about what you really want. Your good desires are God's promises of fulfillment.

Remember that you can do something about the answers to your prayers, for what concerns you begins and is fulfilled through your own right thinking. You are the channel through which God works to bring forth the fulfillment of your desires.

Turn your attention to what you want and give thanks that the ideas you need to claim your good are now being revealed to you.

♦ *I can do all things in him that strengtheneth me.* —PHIL. 4:13.

Tuesday

MARCH 8

THE PERFECT LOVE OF GOD IN ME CASTS OUT ALL FEAR.

If I am afraid for any reason, I can overcome my fear through the power of the perfect love of God in me.

As a small child is reassured by his parents' love and nearness, so am I reassured by my realization of God's love, of His nearness. "Closer is He than breathing, and nearer than hands and feet."

Fear has no power in the presence of love. So always I call on God's love. I do not have to look for God's love somewhere outside me; I do not have to reach up or out to find it. It is here within me; it is my very life; it is my very being. I live in the perfect love of God, the love that casts out all fear, the love that upholds me, supports me, sustains me, infolds me round about.

I shall not fear, for God is here; His love is here. His love shines through every situation that has seemed frightening or disturbing and reveals only the good, only the perfect, only the true.

The perfect love of God in me casts out all fear.

♣ *Perfect love casteth out fear.*—I JOHN 4:18.

Wednesday

MY HEALTH COMES FROM GOD, AND I EXPRESS MY NATURAL HERITAGE OF HEALTH AND STRENGTH.

I DO not accept any condition of inharmony in my body as real or permanent. I see beyond the imperfection to the perfection that belongs to me as a child of God. My body functions naturally and harmoniously according to the pattern God created when He made me in His image and likeness.

My faith in the healing power of God, mighty in the midst of me, is strong, steady, and unwavering. If my body seems to manifest an inharmonious condition, instead of becoming alarmed or fearful, I turn to God and begin to claim my natural and normal heritage of health, strength, and perfection. I give thanks to God and praise Him for the life in me.

My belief in God as the source of my health makes health a reality to me. I accept my heritage of life, wholeness, and perfection. I praise God constantly for the enduring health and strength that are mine.

♦ *Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thy healing shall spring forth speedily.*—ISA. 58:8.

Thursday

I BELIEVE IN THE LAW OF DIVINE JUSTICE AT WORK IN MY LIFE AND AFFAIRS.

DO YOU believe in the law of divine justice? If you do, then you know that you cannot be deprived of your good.

When you believe in the law of divine justice you depend on God to adjust that which may seem to be unfair or unjust. You do not for one moment accept an unjust situation as final. You turn it over to God and have faith that He will bring about the perfect and just solution.

When you believe in the law of justice you are fair and just in your dealings with others. In return, you expect others to deal fairly and justly with you.

God's law of justice is above man-made law. If appearances seem unjust, instead of losing heart and feeling that God's law of justice has failed, stand steadfast in your faith. Declare that regardless of appearances God's law of justice is working unerringly in your life to bring about that which is just, fair, and right. God is working in your life and affairs to bless you beyond your expectations.

♠ *Jehovah is a God of justice.*—ISA. 30:18.

Friday

I AM GUIDED INTO MY HIGHEST GOOD BY THE NEVER-FAILING SPIRIT OF TRUTH WITHIN ME.

WHEN I need guidance, I become still and affirm that the Spirit of truth is with me as Jesus promised. "When he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he shall guide you into all the truth."

I give thanks that the Spirit of truth has come into my mind and heart. The Spirit of truth quickens my mind with wisdom and helps me to see clearly the things I should do, the things I should say in situations that need the blessing of my clear thought and action. The Spirit of truth fills my heart with love and understanding.

The Spirit of truth reveals my highest good to me, step by step, day by day. I am open and receptive to divine guidance, and I follow through on the guidance that comes to me. I pray and then I act. And because I act from the highest leadings that come to me, my actions are wise and right. They bring right and good results into my life and into the lives of those about me.

♣ *When he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he shall guide you into all the truth.*—JOHN 16:13.

Saturday

BY THE AUTHORITY OF CHRIST IN ME, I AM FREE.

WHEN WE think of gaining freedom we are apt to think of gaining freedom from certain persons or conditions. But permanent freedom, the freedom that can be ours in all events and all circumstances, is an inner condition. It is a condition achieved by allowing the Christ to reign in our minds and hearts.

Fears stifle our creative impulses, and resentments, critical attitudes, self-interest, and self-absorption keep us bound to emotional reactions and habits that deprive us of peace of mind and happiness of heart.

So, it is in our thought world that we must reign. Through the discriminating power of the Christ within, every person sits in the seat of authority and judges which thoughts shall remain and which shall be cast out. By exercising this Christ authority and casting out all thoughts that are not productive of peace of mind and a harmonious adjustment to life, we gain true freedom.

By the authority of Christ in us, we are free.

♣ *For he must reign, till he hath put all his enemies under his feet.*—I COR. 15:25.

Sunday

I WAIT QUIETLY BEFORE THEE, GENTLY BREATHING IN THY SPIRIT OF LOVE AND LIFE.

DEAR FATHER-GOD, Thou knowest my needs. I bring them now to Thee in quietness and confidence. I lay them before Thee, letting go of them completely. And I continue to wait, dear Father-God, quietly breathing in Thy very Spirit of love and life.

I feel the healing touch of Thy love in every cell of my body.

I feel the peace of Thy presence in my mind and heart.

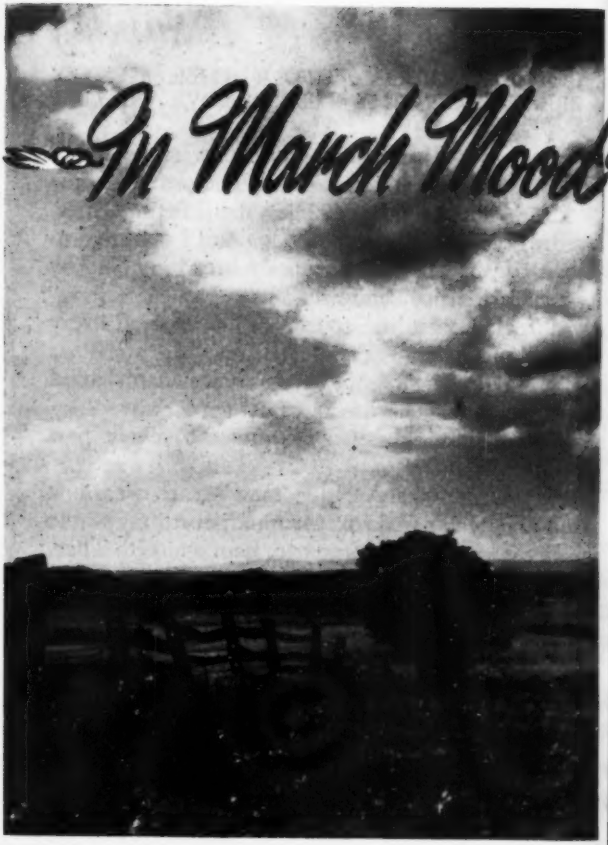
I feel Thy substance flowing into every part of my life.

My needs, whatever they may be, are even now fully met and cared for. My mind, heart, my whole being rejoice in Thy presence. I am one with Thee.

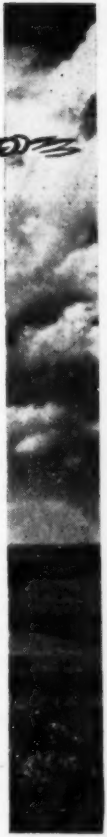
I rest in the indescribable peace of communion with Thee, gently breathing in the essence of divine love and life.

A great thankfulness fills my being for the wonder of Thy love, the beauty of Thy peace, the power of Thy presence.

♣ *Jehovah is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.*—LAM. 3:25.


In March Mood

ELEANOR HALBROOK ZIMMERMAN



There are some days in March, I find,
That are a humor in the mind,
A whirligig of wind-blown leaves
About the heart's gray-shadowed eaves,

A tangled thicket where is wrought
In me whole skeins of tangled thought.
Oh, March wind blowing wild and free,
Come with your powers and rescue me!

Clear every cobweb from my brain
And wash my heart with silver rain;
Blow from some southern summer dell
Perfume of flowers, and with your spell

Create my mood to skies of blue
That all my heart may dance with you
And all my praiseful soul shall be
As free in God as you are free!

Monday

THERE IS A SPIRIT IN ME THAT INSPIRES WISDOM, GOOD JUDGMENT, AND RIGHT ACTION.

WHENEVER YOU ARE faced with a task that seems difficult or beyond your comprehension, take time before you do anything else to call upon the Spirit of wisdom and good judgment that is within you. You have wisdom beyond that of which you are aware; you have the capacity for good judgment that is greater than you know; you have the power for right action, because you have God's own Spirit in you.

Is there something before you that requires wisdom, good judgment, right action? Give thanks that through God's presence and power within you you have all that is required of you.

In making decisions in any of the affairs of your everyday living, call on the Spirit in you; arouse the God ability that is within you. Use the God ability that is within you.

You will make right decisions as you do this; you will use good judgment as you do this; you will act capably and freely and without mistakes as you do this.

♣ *The inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.*—JOB 32:8 (A.V.).

Tuesday

WITH GOD'S HELP I USE MY TIME WISELY, AND I GET THINGS DONE.

IN THESE busy days many of us find time at a premium. Often it seems that time is the most valuable thing we have, that there are many more things for us to do than we can find time for. But when we use our time wisely it is surprising how much of it we seem to have.

In God's world there is plenty of time for all that we need to do. If we make good use of the time we have, we can accomplish more than we ever have before. Turning to God for guidance will help us to see ways to use our time more efficiently. With inspiration from Him we can establish order in our minds and in our lives. We can learn to devote all our energies to the thing at hand, to get it done, and then to turn to something else, thus conserving our energies and doing our work more easily and with less strain.

It may help us to list the things we should do and check them off as we do them. But God will show us the way, so that we can direct all our energies wherever they are needed at the moment.

♣ *Work: for I am with you, saith Jehovah of hosts.* —HAG. 2:4.

Wednesday

I REJOICE THAT IN GOD ALL THINGS WHATSOEVER ARE MADE NEW.

REGARDLESS of the past, regardless of present conditions, I rejoice in the knowledge that all things can be renewed in God. What a wonderful promise this is; I hold it close to my heart today!

I see the body that is needful of healing wrapped in love and strength, washed in the healing waters of life. I see that body made completely, vitally new! And I rejoice and give thanks.

I see the clouded mind that has lost its way bathed in the light of Spirit, so that once again it recognizes its heritage and its destiny as the mind of a son of God. I see this mind released from shadows, clear in divine light and wisdom.

I see the soul that is frustrated, hemmed in by doubts and fears, unable to commune with God, the source, released to renew itself at the fount of life, free to recognize and to proclaim its source in God.

I am myself renewed in body, mind, and soul as renewal comes to the others who are in need. I rejoice and give thanks!

♠ *Behold, I make all things new.*—REV. 21:5.

Thursday

I CENTER MY THOUGHTS IN THE ACCOMPLISHING SPIRIT WITHIN ME, AND ORDER IS ESTABLISHED IN MY LIFE.

ORDER IS first an inner state before it is an outer state. Order does not just happen to us. We achieve it.

To achieve order, we begin with our thinking. We withdraw our attention from the pressure of things to be done, from the confusion around us and center our attention upon the accomplishing Spirit within. This Spirit abides within every person, making it possible to effect order.

When we center our attention upon the accomplishing Spirit within we become aware that we are in charge of our lives, that we are the directors and organizers. We no longer feel pushed this way and that without choice or authority. We see that we have the privilege of weighing the value of things to be done, of deciding what is most important and most helpful, and of determining an order of procedure. We discover the joy and satisfaction of orderly living.

♣ *For as the Father hath life in himself, even so gave he to the Son also to have life in himself: and he gave him authority to execute judgment.*—JOHN 5:26, 27.

Friday

I RELAX IN THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THE STABILIZING, ORGANIZING POWER OF THE CHRIST IS WITHIN ME, AND I AM CALM AND POISED.

GOD CREATED us capable of the inner stability and organization that permits us to function calmly and with poise.

There may be times in our development when we feel that we cannot do what is asked of us. This may be because we fear the judgments of others or because we feel inadequate. But if we will remember the capability of the Christ within us, we will experience an assurance that will carry us through whatever it is we have to do.

If we are disturbed by the demands made upon us, if we feel that there are a great number of things to be done by us in a short space of time, we need to take time to be quiet, to rest and relax in the stillness of prayer. We can gain the calmness and poise we need by affirming the stabilizing, organizing power of the Spirit within us, by reminding ourselves over and over that we can do all things through Christ in us.

♣ *In quietness and in confidence shall be your strength.* —ISA. 30:15.

Saturday

I BELIEVE THAT WHATSOEVER I ASK IN THE NAME AND THROUGH THE POWER OF JESUS CHRIST SHALL BE DONE UNTO ME.

WHENEVER we face problems that seem difficult to solve, we should give up personal striving and recall Jesus' promises. For example He tells us "All things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them." "Whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do."

We may feel that it will require what the world calls a miracle to overcome our problems, but God works through so-called miracles. If, after we have prayed, believing, in the name and through the power of Jesus Christ, a seeming miracle is what is needed, then a miracle will be forthcoming. Following the prayer of one who believes, great good may be expected. Healing, prosperity, and the adjustment of personal affairs are the result of faith in God's unfailing power. And this power works for everyone without exception. It remains for us to claim it joyously and to await the perfect outcome with faith.

♣ *All things whatsoever ye pray and ask for, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.*—MARK 11:24.

Sunday

I BEHOLD THE CHRIST IN YOU.

IN PRAYING for my dear ones and others I would bless I think the following thoughts:

"You belong to God. God created you, and God is sustaining you. The loving Spirit of Christ in you is capable of healing your mind, your body, your affairs.

"I loose you and I let you go into the loving presence of your own indwelling Christ, who is capable, and I leave you there with Him. I have no fear concerning you.

"Christ's radiant wisdom is illumining your mind and guiding you in the way that is best for you.

"His protecting love is infolding you and guarding you from all harm.

"His healing life is the only activity now at work in every part of your body, and His harmonizing love is adjusting all your affairs.

"I behold you filled and surrounded with the protecting, healing, harmonizing Spirit of Jesus Christ, and I rejoice that He is taking care of you now and forevermore."

♣ *The prayer of faith shall save him that is sick.*—JAMES 5:15.

Monday

MY MIND IS OPEN, RECEPTIVE, AND OBEDIENT TO THE INSPIRATION OF GOD.

GOD SPEAKS in the universal language of ideas. An open and receptive mind is the magnet that attracts ideas, and an obedient mind is the channel that gives them expression by bringing them to life. Miracles are wrought when the open and receptive mind is obedient to the inspiration that stirs it. Obedience requires a high degree of courage and generosity.

Within the mind of man are divine ideas capable of revolutionizing the world, of establishing peace, of bringing the kingdom of God to earth. Within the mind of man are divine ideas capable of bringing into manifestation the Christ man. It is wonderful to know these truths, but if we want to prove them we must put them into practice.

Today I turn to God with an open and receptive mind. I am obedient to the inspiration I receive. I act on the inspiration I receive, and put into practice the divine ideas that God reveals to me.

♣ *If ye know these things, blessed are ye if ye do them.* —JOHN 13:17.

Tuesday

MARCH 22

IT IS MY DIVINE BIRTHRIGHT TO BE PROSPEROUS, AND I CLAIM PROSPERITY AS MY HERITAGE FROM GOD.

DO YOU ever stop to think that it is your birthright to be prosperous?

God created you in His image and likeness. He is with you always—your instant, constant, abundant source of supply.

Cultivate the habit of declaring that God is your supply and your support, regardless of the amount of money you have or whatever it is that you seem to lack. If you need employment, instead of believing that you are too old to find the job you want, or that you lack experience to fill some certain job, take hold of the idea that it is your divine birthright to have work, that the work you can do will be revealed to you.

If you need to rent your rooms or sell your property, know that demand and supply are always one. God will lead the persons to you who need what you have.

Work and pray and pray and work, and abundance will be yours.

♠ *Jehovah will open unto thee his good treasure.* —DEUT. 28:12.

Wednesday

I TRUST THE WISDOM OF CHRIST IN ME TO WORK OUT EVERYTHING IN MY LIFE IN A BEAUTIFUL WAY.

WHEN I place some situation in God's healing care I never need to worry about the outcome. God always works everything out in a beautiful way for the good of all concerned. God is a good Spirit. God is a loving Spirit. God is what Jesus demonstrated Him to be, a healing, forgiving, harmonizing Spirit. Therefore, when I say, "Thy will be done," only good can come to me, since God is completely good. So I have no fear. I do not hesitate to place all my world in His healing care, for I know that when I do so only wonderful, beautiful things occur.

When I surrender my body to His healing Spirit within me, there can be only one result, radiant health, for He is the Spirit of health.

When I surrender my affairs to His all-adjusting Spirit within me, there can be only one result, perfect harmony, for He is the Spirit of harmony.

• *Jehovah will perfect that which concerneth me.* —PSALMS 138:8.

Thursday

I AM A CHILD OF GOD, AND THROUGH HIM I CAN ACCOMPLISH ALL THINGS.

TODAY I would cleanse my mind of limiting attitudes, feelings, and thoughts. Many I have held unconsciously; now I would consciously release them—thoughts of disease and accident; thoughts of lack or bad luck; thoughts of instability or timidity. I am a child of God, and through Him I can accomplish all that I dream of, and even greater things.

Dear Father-God, help me to let go of all the thoughts that hold me back from following your plan for my life. Help me to see the attitudes that are holding me back, so that I can turn away from them for all time.

Today I would free myself, with Your help, in order to walk with strength and confidence on the path of successful living.

I would be about Your business today, Father. I give You thanks for filling me with Your strength and with the power of accomplishment. With Your help I set a guard against negative, limiting thoughts and go forward in faith.

♣ *Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?*—LUKE 2:49 (A.V.).

Friday

I HAVE NO FEAR, FOR I KNOW THAT GOD IS TAKING CARE OF ME.

DEAR FRIEND, there is never any challenging circumstance that is beyond your power to meet. You need never be afraid, for you do not have to face any situation alone. God is with you.

Within you and all about you is the healing presence of God, which will give you the wisdom and strength to solve everything in a beautiful way. All you have to do is to relax, to quiet your mind, your emotions, your body. Then declare with calm conviction, "I have no fear, for I know that God is taking care of me."

Keep repeating this truth over and over. If subconscious fears arise, free yourself from them by knowing that God is with you, that He is the only presence and power in your life.

Just as surely as you persist in affirming God's presence and power, fear will dissolve and fade away. In its place will be a deep and abiding assurance that all is well, that there is nothing to fear.

♣ *Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest.*—MATT. 11:28.

Saturday

I AM WILLING TO LET THE WILL OF GOD BE DONE IN MY LIFE.

IF YOU are seeking guidance and have not as yet been able to know just what to do, the inner light and inspiration will be forthcoming when you become willing and obedient to let the will of God be done in your life.

God's will is only good, and your welfare is important to Him. He loves you with an everlasting love. He stands ready and waiting to reveal to you the guidance you seek. His way is one of peace and inner stillness.

Often God's will has been associated in people's minds with something that is unhappy and unpleasant; but if you remember that God wills only good for you, any reluctance you may have had in giving yourself wholly to God will disappear.

Surrender your life to God; ask Him to show you the way. Affirm again and again, "I am willing to let the will of God be done in my life." Give thanks that His will is being done in and through you, that your life is being blessed in countless ways.

♣ *Doing the will of God from the heart . . . as unto the Lord, and not unto men.*—EPH. 6:6, 7.

Sunday

GOD IS THE ONLY PRESENCE AND THE ONLY POWER IN THE UNIVERSE; GOD IS LOVE.

GOD IS the only presence in this universe; God is the only power in this universe; God is infinite love. There is no presence in this universe except the loving presence of God.

There is no power in the universe except the loving power of God, so there is nothing whatever for me to fear.

Every single moment of the day and night I live and move and have my being in the loving presence of God, and every single moment of the day and night the loving presence of God lives and moves and has His eternal Being in me.

I am completely immersed in the loving presence of God, my Father, and His love is protecting me from all harm.

The healing, harmonizing Spirit of God is the one and only activity now at work in every part of my being—in every part of my world. So I relax all my tensions, and I rest confidently and securely in the realization that He is taking care of everything.

♣ *One God and Father of all, who is over all, and through all, and in all.*—EPH. 4:6.

Monday

THROUGH JESUS CHRIST WE ARE FORGIVEN. TODAY I ACCEPT GOD'S FORGIVENESS, JOYFULLY, CONFIDENTLY, WHOLEHEARTEDLY.

THROUGH Jesus Christ we are forgiven. For the fallen Adam we are given the risen Christ. For our limited, negative thinking we are given the unlimited, positive thinking of the Christ Mind. For bondage and weariness we are given freedom and rest. For darkness and confusion we are given light and divine order. For despair and weakness we are given hope and strength. For sickness and unhappiness we are given healing and joy. For doubt and lack we are given faith and inexhaustible supply. For war and strife we are given peace and understanding. For sin and suffering we are given overcoming and relief. For blindness we are given illumination. For ignorance we are given wisdom. For our devious paths we are given "the way." For hate and death we are given love and assurance of eternal life. For the false we are given the true.

Through Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Joyfully, confidently, wholeheartedly I accept God's forgiveness today.

♣ *Jesus said, Father, forgive them.*—LUKE 23:34.

Tuesday

THE LOVE AND CONFIDENCE OF CHRIST WITHIN ME SUSTAINS ME IN PEACE AND HARMONY.

IT MAY be difficult for you to see how you can have harmony in your life when others are saying and doing things that disturb your peace of mind, when tempers are edgy, when there is lack of co-operation. It may be difficult for you to understand, but nonetheless it is true that we can experience harmony even when we must live or work with those whose dispositions and outlook on life are uncongenial to our own.

To experience harmony, we must first accept responsibility for harmony. Regardless of the things said or done, we must refuse to harbor any thought or emotion that makes us fall out of harmony, any thought or emotion that nourishes friction rather than co-operation.

Most of us find it necessary to train ourselves to be harmonious. When we take ourselves in hand and accept responsibility for harmony we develop the confidence and the loving spirit that enable us to live in harmony with others.

❦ *Let us follow after things which make for peace, and things whereby we may edify one another.*—ROM. 14:19.

Wednesday

MARCH 30

THE LOVING, HEALING CHRIST IN ME WIPES OUT ALL UNHAPPY THOUGHTS AND ALL UNHEALTHY CONDITIONS.

CHRIST in me is loving; Christ in me is free; Christ in me is the presence of peace, love, forgiveness, and joy.

Through Christ in me I bless my thoughts. Every thought of love that I think helps in the healing of my body, for love dissolves old conditions and lets God's pure life build new, healthy cells in me.

Good thoughts start God's right action in my body—intelligent action that adjusts, harmonizes, and vitalizes every cell and function. Through Christ in me I think thoughts of peace and joy; through Christ in me new energy flows into my body.

Through Christ in me I make a wonderful discovery of myself as the perfect, loving, healthy child of God. By letting my thoughts dwell on this truth and by letting the loving, healing Christ in me govern me in everything that I do, I am healed.

♣ *For the mind of the flesh is death; but the mind of the Spirit is life and peace.*—ROM. 8:6.

Thursday

ALL THE GOOD I SEEM TO LACK IN MY LIFE IS WITHIN ME NOW, SO I REJOICE AND GIVE THANKS.

CHRIST IN me is the answer to every challenge in my life. Christ in me is the solution to every problem that confronts me.

When decisions must be made and I do not seem to know which way to turn, His wisdom within me directs my way.

When my physical body seems lacking in health I remind myself that the healing Christ is within me, and His vitalizing Spirit flows throughout my body, making it every whit whole.

When prosperity seems to be absent I turn my attention within to the divine source of my supply, and His love fills full my every need.

No matter what my question, I turn within and find the answer. No matter what I fear, I turn within to Christ and find my courage. No matter how discouraged I may become, I find new hope and strength in Him. No matter how great a failure I seem to be, I turn within to His presence and let Him guide me to success.

Christ within me is the answer.

♣ *The kingdom of God is within you.*—LUKE 17:21.

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"From Light Comes Love" is the title of an article by Helen Reeves Kalb that appears in the March issue of *Unity* magazine. Likening our lives to adjusting a Venetian blind, Mrs. Kalb states: "Upon arising each morning we adjust the Venetian blinds in our room so that we receive no light, reflected light, or abundant direct light. So it is with our lives! We begin each day with many choices, possibilities, and potentialities; it is up to us to decide how we shall use the day and its light.

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Of vastness—I have mountains in my heart.
I grow large in their largeness, and not less;
They lift me out of my own littleness,
And I have thoughts I never knew were there.

As on a mountain, I can mount by prayer
To my mind's summit of serenity
And catch a glimpse of distances in me;
And I can have a mountain view of things,
The quiet, spacious thoughts farseeing brings.

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